

# THE A. P. R. O. BULLETIN

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## CHILD BURNED IN NEW MEXICO

### Strange Gelatinous Fall in Mexico

On August 9, 1964, Mr. Baltazar Flores, Francisco Perez, Ruben Lozaya and Elpidio Salas, stopped to rest close to the Los Maravillas mining area. They were enroute to Sierra del Viejo, about 1000 kilometers to the SE of Cabo (Sonora) where they planned to explore.

At about 9 p. m. their attention was arrested by a "dark cloud-like object" which was "approaching like a meteor" (probably referring to high speed—Ed.) toward them. As it passed close to them, the trees shook.

As the object passed, one of the men shot at it twice, then they heard an explosion as it hit the ground.

Early the next day they investigated and at about 3 kilometers from their camping spot they found a compact gelatinous mass of a green-turquoise color with lighter streaks of about 20 centimeters. The mass smelled very badly. The men estimated it weighed about 2-3 tons. After poking at the mass with a long stick, the stick was covered with a sticky substance like chewing gum. They had no container with which to take samples but they reported the incident to authorities. No one would listen to them. An employee of the Ministerio Publico who should have conducted an investigation, ignored the report saying: "It is possible it was only a chunk from a satellite."

One of the witnesses returned to the place 3 days later and noted that the greater part of the mass was gone and what was left was disintegrating. There was still some residue on the rocks and grass, however.

See the Complete Text of the Classified Brazilian Navy IGY Trindade Report in the January issue.

### Fall Sightings in Massachusetts

APRO Member Raymond E. Fowler of Wenham, Mass. carried out a careful investigation of sightings of strange aerial objects during the fall of 1964, the results of which were forwarded to APRO. We present here the condensed findings. In some instances names of witnesses are omitted by request.

At 9:30 p. m. EDT, at Littleton, Mass. two teen-aged boys, James Gates and John Tibault and a twelve-year-old boy Norman G. Sheldrick, sighted a strange aerial object over the Common and gave chase in the car in which they were riding. After losing sight of it several times they came upon it again at Porter Field, outside of Littleton. The boys later described it as silver gray, apparently solid with an estimated length of 75-125 feet. It was oval shape with a rim around the bottom. It carried three pulsating lights similar in intensity to that of an automobile's taillights a block distant. There was a red light on each end and a white one on top in the middle. It made a "soft roaring sound" similar to that of a jet but not quite as loud.

The boys noted that the object was hovering with a "fluttering motion" about 500-1000 feet away from them. When they started to walk toward it the lights went out and it sped away, disappearing over the tree tops.

A fourth witness was later located. John Marransino, 14, was in his bedroom when he heard an automobile horn and went to the window, which overlooks Porter Field. He saw the three lights and the outline of the object hovering over the field. He watched it for about a minute after which it moved away at high speed. The next day, Gates, Tibault and Sheldrick told him a UFO had gone right over his house and asked if he had seen it. He told them he had.

Marranzino's description tallies with that of the first three witnesses. He did not recall if the lights pulsated, but esti-

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One of the most sensational reports to come out of the spring and early summer flap in New Mexico was the case of Charles Keith Davis of Hobbs, New Mexico. The basic details:

On the 2nd of June at 4 p. m. Charles Davis was standing just outside the back door of his Grandmother's laundry in Hobbs. The door led to the boiler room where his grandmother, Mrs. Frank Smith, was cutting a cake in preparation for preparing lunch for herself and Charles. Suddenly Mrs. Smith was horrified to see an elongated apparently metal object swoop down out of the sky and hover above Charles. She was so frightened she couldn't cry out. The thing was there for only a few seconds then with a "whooshing sound" it elevated and disappeared upward into the sky. Mrs. Smith then ran out to Charles, and put her arms around him. He had begun to swell, and there was a sooty deposit on his face and neck and shirt.

The object, according to Mrs. Smith, was somewhat like a top, and gave off black soot and fire. The boy stood there with his eyes tight shut and his hair standing on end until the object went away.

Mrs. Smith said that one of Charles' ears looked "like a piece of raw meat." He was not "burned bald" as some reports declared, but he was swollen so badly that his nose was scarcely visible. His eyes were swelled shut.

Samples of the boy's skin and hair were taken, along with his T-shirt and his Grandmother's apron against which she held Charles, and were sent to an FBI laboratory.

Upon receipt of the initial news of the burn case, APRO contacted Mrs. Smith and obtained additional facts as well as the name of the Doctor who treated the boy. When the Doctor was contacted he yielded the following information:

The boy was treated at Lee County Hospital where he stayed for five days. The burns, which were second degree with some imbedded soot, were on the face, ears and neck and according to the Doc-

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## Member Promotes APRO In Washington

APRO Member Gene Thrune, a customer relations executive of Seattle, Washington, heard a radio program about UFOs, called the station and asked for an interview which he obtained the next day. After talking about UAOs for a period of time the telephone began to ring and eventually, within three days, the effect of his interview was felt at APRO Headquarters. Memberships and inquiries about same in that state began to literally pour in and within two weeks the membership in the state of Washington had jumped by 30.

We urge members to write their local papers and mention APRO whenever the opportunity arises, thus gaining attention for the organization in order to extend our influence in passing along the facts at our command. A mention of our 13-years experience in the field of UFO research, should be sufficient to qualify us to the public. APRO, incidentally, can be reached by people inquiring about it simply by addressing a letter to APRO, Tucson, Arizona. We do not feel that any

mention of the Air Force is necessary—as this generally brings about conflict with the press and therefore works to our disadvantage. We would like to be kept informed concerning any local results and indications of interest.

## The Matter of Origin

We occasionally hear or read of attempts to correlate details such as the markings on the Socorro saucer with ancient earth symbolism. This office has received many letters from individuals seemingly determined to link the occupants of the UAO with the human race. It has occurred to us that some, although wishing for a heavenly diversion from everyday problems such as the bomb (whether angelic or in the form of space beings) would prefer that they and man have a common origin. Balm for the ego, We should all examine our emotional attitudes in this respect for they could complicate our attempts to be completely objective. If the occupants of the UAO are humanoid and not connected with us, it merely means that we are not at all unique, but merely one of a large number of existing races. If the occupants are humanoid and in the remote past related to man, it means only that they were able and wanted to get away for some reason and what was left did not fare very well—meaning us. So where does that leave us?

## 1964 Sightings Numerous

Part of the reason for the delay in production of Bulletins during 1964 was the fact that sightings were so numerous that day-to-day investigation and posting of clippings kept all of us very busy. We are presenting as many as possible in this issue and those which cannot be detailed will be included in a summary in a later issue.

## Bullet Shape at Florence, Ore.

An unidentified policeman at Florence, Oregon, reported a bullet-shaped object to the Coast Guard 13th District Headquarters on the 16th of October 1964. The description was of a brilliant orange-yellow object which turned to bright blue. The Seattle Times, which carried the story in its October 16th edition, said the name of the policeman was not given in the initial report, but that the incident was the third report of a UFO to that Coast Guard Headquarters in a month. One of the other reports was from Florence and the other from Port Orford.

## Monitoring And Scanning Discs—Addenda

(Conclusion)

The account of a very bizarre affair involving a teen-age youth and his date appeared in the January, 1964 issue of this BULLETIN

In this instance, 18-year old Ronnie Davis of Fairfield, Illinois and Phyllis Bruce were terrorized by the maneuvers of a round ball of bright white light, which at time changed to a bright orange, that first hovered just above the tree tops and then followed their car for several miles. After Ronnie left Phyllis at her home the light again resumed its pursuit and followed him all the way to his home. Once there he aroused his parents who also saw it and they reported their son's frightening experience to the police. FATE magazine of November, 1963 also carried an account of this occurrence. This particular case was an exception to the rule in that it received considerable publicity.

Two similar incidents, both of which were described as "hair-raising experience" by participants, involved motorists whose cars were followed by small, low-flying UFOs which had the effect of badly frightening the persons involved in them. They are recorded at this point in this chronicle of unexplained happenings, to acquaint the reader with the similarity of certain of these incidents which, from time to time, take place under our very noses but are usually generally never known except in the local area where they occurred.

The earlier of these cases occurred in 1957. From the time he first learned of it a period of nearly six months elapsed before the writer was able to obtain a full and reliable account of the incident involving two motorists who were followed by a small glowing disc.

One of the principals is now in the army and therefore could not be reached for comment. The other is presently employed as a teacher in a Louisiana High School. Apparently this individual had become so annoyed by the attitude of disbelief on the part of those persons to whom he had originally related their experience that he had 'clammed-up' and refused to answer correspondence addressed to him by the writer. It was only by communicating with another party who had known the principals from childhood and had grown up with them, that an account of their experience was obtained. The excellent version of this occurrence as given by their friend induces us to quote it verbatim

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tor were "nothing unusual"—except for one thing—Charles suffered no pain during his ordeal. The Doctor described Charles as a bright, friendly boy. Treatment of the burns consisted of sulphathiazol ointment applied directly to the affected areas. When Charles' burns began to heal it was necessary to administer a sedative because of the intense itching.

Although the Doctor was frank and readily answered questions, he preferred that his name not be publicized to prevent an influx of mail inquiring about the case. He, although he would offer no opinion as to the nature of the object or the cause of the burns, seemed to believe the story told by both the boy and his grandmother.

## Martin Caidin Observes UFO

Aerospace author Martin Caidin was piloting a twin-engine Piper Aztec B on the night of September 12th, 1964, at about 8:30 p.m. when he and friend Ed Keyes spotted an orange-colored UFO flying five miles due north of Dodge City, Kansas.

The cabin of their plane began to light up and "I was seeing things I shouldn't be able to see," Keyes, a former Continental Air Lines pilot, said.

"When I first saw it," Keyes said, "it was above a slight overcast. Tumbling action was the most significant aspect of the whole thing. It would slow down when it became flat with the atmosphere and would speed up when pointed downward. "This change in velocity was what caught my attention most," Keyes said.

Keyes stated he had seen many meteors and was certain the object was not a meteor.

When interviewed by the press, Caidin stated he'd seen a lot of meteors and other objects fall from the sky, including airplanes, but "to me this thing looked like an aircraft coming out of the sky. This was absolutely not a meteor. He described the object as a "circular mass".

Don Foulk, Air Traffic Controller for the FAA at Hutchinson, Kansas, said he received reports from several sightings. They came from a pilot over Pratt, Kansas, from one west of Hutchinson, from a pilot landing at Great Bend, Kansas and from a Hutchinson resident out in his back yard.

Foulk, who also saw the object at about 7-8 degrees east of due north from the Hutchinson towers, said it was yellowish-orange. He said that when he saw it it would fit the description of the final

phase or burnout of a meteor. Others reported it as blue-green in color. Foulk said that direct contact with Kansas City, Missouri FAA offices brought reports from Columbia, Missouri.

Raleigh Lackey, meteorologist technician at Wichita U. S. Weather Bureau Tower at Municipal Airport said the bureau had reports from Concordia in Northern Kansas, Goodland to the northwest, Eureka, Kansas, 100 miles east and from FAA officials at Lincoln, Nebraska. The reports from Goodland came from persons west of Hutchinson City who were sure the object fell to the ground just west of Penokee, Kansas.

## Another Disc Near White Sands

On 29 August 1964, Mr. P. D. Snow was driving south from Las Cruces, New Mexico toward El Paso on Highway Interchange 10. To his left (East) were the Organ Mountains. The time was 11:50 a. m.

Snow noticed a large, saucer-shaped object between him and the mountains (about half way between ground level and the peaks) and travelling south at high speed. The object appeared to be about four miles away and larger than a silver dollar held at arm's length.

The object stayed below the peaks as he observed it from Mesilla Park, New Mexico, to Mesquite, New Mexico where the Mountain Range ends. At this point, the object banked up at a 45 degree angle and disappeared into the sky.

A passenger with Mr. Snow observed and reported the same incident. The Organ Mountains mark the West edge of the White Sands Proving Ground Test Range.

## State Representative Sees UAO in Louisiana

We can thank Member Robert Q. Achzener for the information that State Representative Charles G. Smither of Louisiana observed a "shapeless, motionless metal object over Lake Pontchartrain on Monday (September 14) at 11 a. m.

Smither said he had been to Michoud Plant and was returning to New Orleans by bus when he saw the object. He and Alfred Moran, riding with him, at first thought the object was a jetliner as they had watched several as they made their way to the plant earlier in the morning.

Smither and Moran waited for the object to "take shape," but it didn't. It had no tail or wings. Smither watched it for at least 3 minutes and it didn't move. It

had no definite shape. He glanced around in the bus and when he looked back the object was gone.

Paul Atkinson of the Times-Picayne of New Orleans, had an article about Smither's sighting in the 20 September 1964 issue and compared the Smither sighting with that of Eastern Air Lines Pilot Truman Gile in 1957 when Gile saw a "great, big, silvery shiny rounded object" when getting ready to take off from Lafayette field. He watched it for 3 minutes, then alerted the crew and they watched. The object didn't move from position—just faded away, he said.

Atkinson recapped UFO sightings in his article, including the Gile sighting and the sighting of a "round, luminous object flying with jet-like speed" over Lake Pontchartrain on August 8, 1949 by District Judge Pliver P. Schulingkamp, then Assistant District Attorney. It was trailing brilliant orange gaseous matter, moving southwest in the general direction of Michoud.

## Mystery Light Panics Couple

At 8:15 p. m. on 3 November 1964, Rudolph Huizen, 30, caretaker, and Duane Myers, 24, a nurseryman, were alerted by a barking dog at the Butano Girl Scout Camp near Pescadero, California. Both men went outside to investigate and immediately saw a very bright light "about the size of a half dollar" which was moving erratically in the northeast sky.

Huizen said it was "high in the sky" and "just for kicks" he flashed an SOS at it with his flashlight. The light began moving toward the men. It made no sound, just became larger and larger.

Huizen told deputies of the incident the next morning and said that after the first SOS the object came down and settled over the trees about a half a mile away and moved back and forth. Huizen flashed his light at it again and it "lit up the sky like a full moon. It was as big as a football.

At this point the two men ran into the house and brought their wives out to watch. The four watched for a while longer then signalled the SOS again. The object immediately responded and moved toward them. All four fled into the house and watched from the doorway as the object backed away and grew dim. "Then it took off," Huizen reported, "no jet or any plane could go that fast."

Huizen called the Butano Forest Ranger Raymond Cavallero, who called the sheriff's office. Deputies who went out to the Camp reported the object was gone.

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"Mr. Heitman and Mr. Beard were traveling between Krotz Springs and Lebeau, Louisiana on highway 71. It was in the Spring of 1957 and the time was about midnight. Mr. Heitman was driving a 1954 Plymouth. The highway between these two towns is almost straight for about 16 miles. This highway induced Mr. Heitman to exceed the speed limit—approximately 80 m.p.h. was his average velocity. There were no other cars on the road and they saw no one between Krotz Springs and Lebeau.

Glancing in the rear view mirror Mr. Heitman saw a red light just above the horizon and at a considerable distance behind them. He did not at first notice that there were no headlights under the red light and assumed that it was a state police car about to arrest him for speeding. He slowed to 50 m.p.h. and the red light quickly closed the distance between them—surely it was a policeman! The disc came to within about fifty feet from the back of the car and was about ten feet above the road. At this point it exactly matched the speed at which they were traveling and held its position. It was about four to five feet in diameter and about one and a half to two feet thick and glowing red. Mr. Heitman was now convinced that it was not a police car and he became frightened. His first impulse was to try and outrun the disc. So he pushed the old Plymouth to 100 m.p.h.—a pretty ghastly speed for a '54 Plymouth! The disc held its position exactly. Mr. Heitman said that he got the impression that it could easily have gone much more than a mere 100 m.p.h.

The chase continued for about five miles, approximately three or four minutes—time enough for them to closely observe the disc. When they were within a quarter of a mile from Lebeau the disc began to gain altitude until it was about 100 feet above the road. Mr. Heitman slowed to make a shallow turn just before passing through the town which consists of three service stations and a store. Everything was closed and all lights were out. The disc began to gain speed and made a sharp turn to the left but at first did not gain any additional altitude. Then it quickly accelerated and began a steep climb to the left. When the turn was completed it was at an altitude of approximately 300 feet and heading South, South-west, almost directly over highway 10. The acceleration never stopped and the disc disappeared in the direction of Lafayette, Louisiana. During the chase the disc never changed color nor was there any visible exhaust from it.

Neither of them could estimate the final velocity of the object but it was very fast. They were both convinced that they had seen a UFO and were very, very, very shaken from their encounter with it.

When relating their experience later Mr. Heitman and Mr. Beard both told exactly the same story. I have known them almost all their lives; in fact I grew up with them. They are honest, hard-working, intelligent individuals and they would not fabricate such a story."\*

\*The closing sentence in the above narrative very aptly summarizes the writer's personal opinion as to the character and reliability of the other individuals whose experiences were obtained from personal interviews and which are related in this chronicle.

The other incident referred to took place as recently as June, 1964. Since the individuals involved in it did not respond to the writer's request for a first-hand account of their experience, the news version is herein given exactly as it appeared in THE NEWS-TRIBUNE of Fort Pierce, Florida in the edition of June 24, 1964.

## UFO's Chased Them on Road, Vero People Say

By Tom Longhurst

"Four Indian River County residents had what one termed "a hair-raising experience" early Tuesday morning when the car they were returning home in was chased by a number of unidentified flying objects.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Taylor of Harris Road, their daughter Linda, 17, and her boy friend, Eddie Pfund, 21, were driving home from Orlando on Route 60, near 20-Mile Bend, shortly after 1 a. m. when the incident occurred.

According to Mrs. Taylor, Pfund, who was driving, noticed a cluster of bright, amber colored lights in the sky reflected in his rear view mirror.

Mrs. Taylor said that they thought it was a plane coming down at first, but closer examination showed that there were between 15 and 20 disc-shaped objects which gave off a bright amber glow.

She told the News-Tribune that the objects were moving about the sky about 60 or 70 feet in the air, turning so that they could see their full circular shape one second, then changing direction so that only the edge showed. She estimated the objects to be about 5 feet in diameter.

"We stopped the car and got out to have a better look at them, but when we stopped they did too," Mrs. Taylor said.

She said that as they watched the objects, the bright luminous amber glow diminished and almost disappeared. Her daughter suggested that they continue their journey, but as soon as they did, the objects brightened up once more and kept pace behind their car.

"We turned around and drove towards the objects," said Mrs. Taylor, who added that they were very curious by now and wanted a closer look.

"But when we got about half a city block away from them, they disappeared again," she said.

They drove back to the point near 2-Mile Bend where they first saw the flying objects, "When Eddie saw them again in the mirror behind us, coming up from out of the ground."

Mrs Taylor said this time the glow was much brighter and the objects formed a V-formation, and then changed to a circular formation.

"It was a hair-raising experience and one I'll never forget," she said.

### Deputy Checks

Alarmed by now, the party decided to leave the area and drove off at high speed, hoping to lose the objects, but according to Mrs. Taylor, the faster the car went—and they touched 100 miles per hour—the closer the objects came to overtaking them.

"I told Eddie to slow down, and the objects slowed too," she said.

When they pulled into the driveway of a home to alert the occupants, she said the objects split formation and passed on either side of a clump of nearby trees and disappeared.

They drove to the home of Sheriff Sam Joyce and called him from bed to inform him of the strange happenings. He sent a deputy back with them to the general area where they were first seen, but they saw no sign of them.

Mr. Taylor mentioned the occurrence in conversation in Vero Beach later on Tuesday, and learned that a Mr. Street and his son, of Keenansville, had seen the objects about the same time as he had.

Mrs. Taylor said that they plan to go out to the area again one night soon, in an attempt to photograph the objects.

Another recent incident involving small UFOs took place in Cleveland, Ohio on the night of June 5, 1964

In this case the principals involved in it were Miss Marlene A. Ventura and Mr. Donald Kupchick, Jr.

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mated the object's altitude as about 200 feet.

Mr. Fowler, after carefully crosschecking his witnesses, decided the sighting was genuine.

Another sighting on the same night (August 29th) came to light after the investigation of the Littleton sighting, which Fowler also investigated:

At 10:30 p. m. EDT, Richard Pratt, 17, of Lynn, Mass., had just gotten out of his car and was about to enter his home when he heard a strange high-pitched whistle or whining sound coming from the top of Lenox Hill in back of his house. He looked up the hill and became frightened as he watched a silver oval-shaped object about the "size of a regular automobile", slowly descending onto the hill top about 300 yards away. It appeared to have a rim of soft white light around its perimeter and a dome-like protrusion in the center. It hovered momentarily, seemingly about four feet above the hill top and then apparently landed out of sight behind the shrubbery.

Richard told Mr. Fowler that he went into the house and told no one. He did not go to investigate because he was afraid. He confided his experience to a friend who in turn told the story to Richard Fowler, brother of Raymond Fowler, and thus the sighting came to our attention.

During the course of his investigation, Mr. Fowler contacted personnel at the Lennox Hill Nursing Home, which is located on the opposite side of the hill from Pratt's home, and is 1000 feet from the estimated landing site of the UFO. He found a nurse who was on duty on the night in question, and although she could not remember the exact time, recalled that sometime after 9 p. m. she remembered distinctly hearing a "high-pitched whistling sound" on that night. She did not investigate as she was very busy and thought it was just another new type of fire whistle.

Another nurse recalled seeing two boys on the top of the hill searching for something. Fowler reports this was most likely Richard Pratt and his friend who went to the site later to search for some sign of the landing.

Fowler points out that an Electrical Power Station is located behind the Lennox Hill nursing home. A similar sighting of a similar UFO in the general area of Lynn, Mass. on June 15, 1964 was made by APRO member Walter Webb of Cambridge. Sketches of Walter's observation were shown to Richard Pratt and he said it looked almost identical to the one he had seen.

Mr. Fowler checked with Moonwatch, Hanscomb AFB and the owners of a local advertising airplane, and a scrutiny of satellite passover times as well as the flight path of the airplane strongly indicate that the objects seen were UFO (Unidentified).

**Maney Reports Boys' Sighting**

Prof. Charles Maney, APRO member in Ohio, forwarded the following information:

John Dodson, 15, Frankie Jiminez, 14, of Defiance Jr. High School, Defiance, Ohio, were taken to talk to Professor Maney of the Department of Physics, Defiance College, after they confided an experience to a friend:

The boys said they were walking near the railroad tracks south of State Route 281 between 5 and 6 p.m. on 11 August, 1964, approaching the overpass beyond the General Motors Foundry when they sighted a strange object above the General Motors Water Tank. Frankie first spotted the object which was dome-like with a flange base and appeared to be about half the diameter of the full moon. It seemed to be rotating slowly.

"It had lights arranged horizontally" and was bright enough to illuminate the area, the boys said. It moved horizontally at a moderate speed and then shot up vertically at greater speed and disappeared, according to the boys. They described the noise as a "high-pitched continuous whirling or hissing sound"—and the color was "whitish".

**The UFO Evidence**

The above title is the title of the NICAP report on UFOs. It is offset, about  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch thick 8x11 and contains many graphs, and compilations of data. There is no price listed on the book itself, but APRO paid \$4.95 for a copy from an APRO member. We did not receive the usual complimentary copy.

Although the book is generally felt to be quite defensive in its approach, it gives a good background look at the UFO mystery, with heavy emphasis on the Air Force's "censorship." It was considered very revealing in many respects. In the last chapter the philosophy seemed to be that landings and reports of occupants are looked upon with suspicion by NICAP, and that sufficient documentation for such reports is lacking. We don't care to argue the point at this juncture, but many well documented landing and occupant reports are on file, especially outside the U.S. Perhaps NICAP officials feel that only U.S. landings can be con-

sidered authentic, for when the Zamora case came up in April, 1964, Hall called APRO and asked for a report on the case. This was prior to the release of their report. Because of certain aspects which needed to be looked into and because of the pressure of APRO business (which comes first in all instances) the Lorenzens were not able to issue a specific report. NICAP's ADDRESS: 1536 Connecticut Ave., N.W., Washington, D. C.

**Police Chief Views UAO**

James Sculley, Chief of Police at Hamilton, Montana, observed a bright unconventional aerial object while camping near Painted Rock Reservation on Sunday August 9, 1964.

Sculley and his family were camping above the Slate Creek Campground about 50 miles south of Hamilton when they were wakened by their dog barking excitedly at about 12:30 a.m. When he investigated the cause, Chief Sculley saw a very large bright object hovering next to the large mountain a few miles beyond the camping area.

"It was like trying to look at the morning sun," he said, and stated that the light from the object was so bright that it illuminated the logging road and trees on the mountain adjacent to the object. The object projected two beams, each at a 45 degree angle from either side, which lit up a 100-foot area. Sculley estimated the diameter of the object to be at least 25 feet. The lights went off and the area was plunged into darkness immediately. The object had apparently left.

**Teachers Spot UFO After Tremor**

Mrs. M. P. Tavender of Tennepon and Mrs. K. M. Lewis, Large Bay, Australia, reported seeing a "flying saucer object" over Henley Beach Road, Brooklyn Park, 20 minutes after the "mysterious" earth tremor of 27 October 1964. Both women are school teachers.

The teachers were driving along Henley Beach Road in separate cars when the object was first seen. Mrs. T. said: "At first it looked like a 1-foot wide beam of light from an aircraft, but it was moving." The women stopped their cars and then saw the object had moved sideways—a long way from its original position and then became stationary again.

The object then started moving fast, sideways again and finally faded from sight. The quake had been felt at 3:15 p. m. and felt "something like an air concussion" according to witnesses. The UFO was seen at 3:40 p. m.

## Massachusetts . . .

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Miss Ventura, a laboratory technician at the Polyclinic Hospital on Carnegie Avenue and Mr. Kupchick, a landscaper, residing at 15065 Ridge Road, were parked in the south side of the driveway of the Ventura residence at 4477 West 11th Street.

The time was 3:00 A.M.

The couple first became aware that something unusual was occurring when they saw the back yard light up.

Mr. Kupchick was the first to see that the light was from a glowing pinkish-red orb about the size of an orange which he described as resembling the glow of a lit cigarette. This round ball of light appeared in the sky above and to the rear of the house on the adjoining property to the north of the Ventura residence.

It made a slow, silent, apparently controlled, descent in a straight line at an approximate 45° angle without exhaust or vapor trail. As the light approached closer they could begin to discern details and saw that it was not one solid color as it first appeared at a distance but was composed of a round center, dull red in color, which looked to be transparent and two concentric colored rings, the inner of which was a bright orange and the outer one an equally bright yellow. Each ring blended together without showing sharply defined edges.

Following closely behind the brightly lighted object and in parallel formation were ten much smaller objects each of which radiated light in addition to being illuminated by the light given off from the leading object.

Along the driveway of the property adjoining the Ventura's to the North is a row of tall shrubbery from 12 to 15 feet in height.

Coming in from the Northwest in the direction of Lake Erie, the objects cleared the top of this row of shrubbery in their descent path.

When directly over the north side of the Ventura's U-shaped drive at an estimated height of 5 to 6 feet above the ground and 50 - 52 feet from the observers, the objects paused and still maintained their 45° angular position, hovered momentarily.

During this brief pause the colors of the lead object became much brighter. They could then discern that there was a fourth ring of color around the object. This outer rim was of a yellow-gold color which had a sparkling metallic appearance.

At this point, which was the closest the objects came to the couple, they likened its size to that of a grapefruit when held at arms length. They estimated its actual size as being approximately ten feet in diameter. They could see that the ten little ones in its wake were oblong-shaped with translucent red domes and when compared to the size of the grapefruit held at arm's length were approximately two inches long. Their oblong sides had the appearance of being sub-divided into three sections each with diagonal lines crossing them, which created the impression of three identical pyramid-shaped sections which were bright yellow at the points and shaded to dark orange at the bases.

Suddenly from the lower edge of the larger object there shot out several finger-like projections of very bright bluish-white light. The longest of these 'fingers' emanated from the center of the lower edge and were approximately two-thirds the diameter of the object itself. The tips of each of these light fingers sparked, creating an effect which the watchers likened to that of the sparklers used during 4th of July celebrations.

While this was taking place Miss Ventura and Mr. Kupchick noted that the light was so intense that they could see individual blades of grass in the nearby lawn and that the lower edges of the slats on the side of the house had the appearance of having been outlined, much the same as a child outlines a picture in a coloring book with crayon. Colors took on an opposite or negative effect, i.e., light objects appearing dark and vice versa.

They were of the impression that this period of extreme brightness lasted for several minutes since they had had time to note the above-mentioned details and because the entire sighting occupied a space of twenty minutes.

There followed a terrific flash of bluish-white light and then complete darkness. The flash did not have an affect of blinding them as both stated they could see in the darkness as before, but the objects vanished during it as if by magic. Miss Ventura's mother who was asleep in her bedroom was awakened by it. The couple searched the lawn but found nothing to indicate the presence of their nocturnal visitor. They then drove around the neighborhood but the streets were deserted and there were no other witnesses to the occurrence.

Miss Ventura later phoned the Cleveland police and related their experience to the individual who answered the call. After listening to her story this party displayed what Miss Ventura termed 'a tolerant, sarcastic attitude' and asked her

her if she had been reading any science fiction recently. She asked to have someone sent out in an unmarked car to investigate the matter and was told "Lady, you need the newspaper, not the police." The officer told her he would call the Cleveland Plain Dealer and have them contact her. That evening, since no one had called, she phoned them herself. She repeated her story to the Editor of Nightbeat who commented while her story had the ring of truth in it, his Editor did not believe in such things and therefore it wouldn't be printed. The Cleveland Press called her that evening and listened to her account but nothing about it was printed by either newspaper.

As a result of encountering this tolerant, apathetic and indifferent attitude on the part of both police and press, Miss Ventura and Mr. Kupchick joined the steadily growing ranks of those individuals who, like themselves, have encountered a similar attitude and disbelief and disinterest on the part of many officials in whom they attempted to confide vital information and, as a result, have withdrawn into silence.

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After reviewing these numerous and varied experiences, one cannot help wonder when, if ever, will the public, public officials and the press, awaken to the realization that such strange happenings are actually occurring—in many instances almost under their noses—and demand a full explanation of what is actually taking place from those in high governmental authority, such as the individuals who compose the super-secret "54/12 Group."

. . . Perhaps by the year 2000 as predicted by Jeane Dixon during her recent guest appearance on Cleveland Station KYW's radio program "CONTACT"!

## Omaha Visited By Light

Late in the evening preceding August 21, 1962, a bright light was seen in the sky over Omaha, Nebraska. It made its appearances shortly after 9 p.m. Observers noticed such characteristics as abrupt forward movement and the direction of its disappearance each time. The weather bureau told the press that the object was possibly some type of aircraft, after they ruled out weather phenomena or artificial satellites as an explanation.

When queried about the object the Strategic Air Command had no offering to make toward identification of the object. Such a failure to identify is tantamount to inability to identify.